The criteria for promotion to **Lower VI 2015** are as follows:

**Age Criterion**

1.1. Students should **NOT** have reached the age of **19** on **1st January, 2015**

**Minimum qualifications requirements**

1.2. Students should

   - **either** have passed SC with a minimum of **three (3)** credits obtained at one and the same sitting
   - **or** have obtained G.C.E. “O” level in **five (5) subjects** with a minimum of Grade C in **three (3) subjects** and at least a **Grade E in English** at one and the same sitting.

**Eligibility for subject combination at Principal Level**

1.3. In addition to the above, students should hold a CREDIT at SC or Grade C at GCE “O” level in each of the **THREE (3) subjects** they propose to offer at Principal Level.

   **Exceptional case:** Where a student has obtained five (5) credits or Grade C at GCE “O” level at one and the same sitting, but has a pass or Grade E at GCE “O” level in the third subject to be offered at Principal Level, he/she may exceptionally be allowed to offer the same subject at Principal Level. **This is, however, subject to 1.4 and 1.5 below.**

1.4. Students wishing to offer Literature in English at Principal Level must have obtained at least a **CREDIT** in either English or Literature in English at SC or Grade C at GCE “O” level.

1.5. Students wishing to offer Mathematics at Principal Level must have obtained either a **CREDIT** in Mathematics or Additional Mathematics at SC or Grade C at GCE “O” level.

1.6. Students who have a **CREDIT** at SC or Grade “C” at GCE “O” Level in

   - **BUSINESS STUDIES** are eligible to offer **Business Studies** and either
   - **Economics** or **Accounting** at Principal Level.
(ii). **PRINCIPLES OF ACCOUNTS** are eligible to offer **Accounting** and **Business Studies** at Principal Level,

(iii). **ECONOMICS** are eligible to offer **Economics and Business Studies** at Principal Level

(iv). **COMMERCe** or **COMMERCIAL STUDIES** are eligible to offer **Business Studies** at Principal Level

### 1.7. Students may offer any one of the following:

(i). Divinity

(ii). Hinduism,

(iii). Islamic Studies,

(iv). Sociology

(v). Travel and Tourism

(vi). Cambridge Technicals in ICT\(^1\)

at Principal Level although they have not studied the subjects listed above up to SC/GCE “O” Level provided they hold credits in the two other subjects to be offered at Principal Level.

### Exceptional Cases

1.8. **Exceptionally**, however, students who do not possess the minimum qualifications as at 1.2 above by virtue of the fact that they have only 2 credits or a minimum of grade C in only two (2) subjects, may be considered for promotion to Lower VI, *subject to the availability of their subject combination in their respective schools*. They may, for the purpose of choosing a subject combination of 3 main subjects, avail themselves of the provisions under 1.6 and/or 1.7 above.

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\(^1\) Applicable to students opting for HSC Pro in the ICT strand

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